

State Transportation Commission

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Overview

MDOT's response to 1-75 flooding

Pending Legislation

Federal Reauthorization



MDOT's Response to Flooding



I-75 Southbound Northern Arenac County

Bay Region: Bay City TSC



I-75 SB Pavement Failure







Removing Pavement and Excavating







Flooding and Eroded Slopes







Paving I-75 Southbound







Project Success by Team MDOT





Summary: Steps Taken by MDOT

- MDOT conducted inspection of situation
- Called contractor working in the area to remove pavement
- Arenac County forces conducted fill & gravel
- Took 4 bids for paving & awarded same day

- Armored inlets to the culvert with riprap
- Set up a contract to fix the culvert bottom through lining the inside of the culvert or replace the culvert with next year's project





HB 5528

Section 109-reduction of 126 FTEs

 Section 109-would eliminate ability to increase consultant utilization in event of more federal funding or special project requirements.

 Section 727-limits states ability to support basic needs of SE Michigan transit users.



HB 5762, SB 1147

- Requires legislative approval of 5-Year Program
- Nullifies MPO/MDOT partnership required for federal funding
- Moves decision-making from cities counties, villages, and townships



Legislative Approval of the 5-Year Program Jeopardizes Federal Funding

- 5-Year Program is a key component of the federally required cooperative planning process
- Federal law requires MDOT to develop a Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for all areas of the state and to conduct public hearings
- Projects in the 5-Year Program receive extensive local review and public hearings and provide the foundation for the STIP
- The portion of the STIP in urbanized areas of the state must be developed cooperatively by local units of government and transportation providers
- The STIP must be federally approved



SB 1168

- Requires legislative approval of bonding for projects
- Potential for missed bonding opportunities
- May jeopardize tax-exempt status of bonds
- Possible constitutional issues



Splitting the Penny

- Administration recommends that one-half of one cent of the state gasoline tax be redirected from state trunklines to allow local investment in bridges in need of repair
- Splitting the penny fulfills promise made to improve local bridges in need of repair



SB 1103

- Eliminates sales tax earmarked for CTF
- Severely reduces funding for public transit, intercity bus service and passenger rail
- Would result in a significant loss in federal grants
- Could not meet Act-51 obligations



Federal Reauthorization Update



Conference Committee

- Extension keeps funds flowing until June 30
- Another extension is likely
- Political standoff in Congress is over
 - Senate Conferees named
 - Waiting for House to name its conferees
 - First meeting expected in June
- Congress is currently on Memorial Day recess



Senate Conferees

- Inhofe (R-OK) (EPW) Conference Chair
- Bond (R-MO) (EPW)
- McConnell (R-KY) Majority Whip
- Voinovich (R-OH) (EPW)
- Warner (R-VA) (EPW)
- Nickles (R-OK) (Budget)
- Shelby (R-AL) (Banking)
- Grassley (R-IA) (Finance)
- McCain (R-AZ) (Commerce)
- Lott (R-MS) (Commerce/Finance)
- Hatch (R-UT) (Finance)

- Jeffords (I-VT) (EPW)
- Reid (D-NV) (EPW)
- Sarbanes (D-MD) (Banking)
- Baucus (D-MT) (Finance/EPW)
- Conrad (D-ND) (Budget)
- Daschle (D-SD) Minority Leader
- Hollings (D-SC) (Commerce)
- Graham (D-FL) (EPW)
- Lieberman (D-CT) (EPW)
- Boxer (D-CA) (EPW)



Reauthorization Proposals

National Numbers	Bush Administration (SAFETEA)	House Proposal (HR 3550)	Senate Proposal (S 1072)
National Six-Year Investment (contract authority)	\$251 b	\$283 b	\$318 b
Highways (Six-Year Obligation Limitation)	\$202 b	\$216 b	\$233 b
Transit	\$ 43.6 b	\$ 51.5 b	\$ 56.5 b



What They Mean for Michigan

	Bush Administration (SAFETEA)	House Proposal (HR 3550)	Senate Proposal (S 1072)
Michigan Six-Year Highway Investment	\$5.25 b	\$6.17.b	\$7.4 b
Comparison to TEA21 (Michigan rec'd \$5.5 b)	down \$250 m	up \$670 m	up \$1.9 b
Michigan Six-Year Transit Investment	\$606 m	\$627 m	\$656 m
Comparison to TEA21 (Michigan rec'd \$439 m)	up \$167 m	up \$188 m	up \$217 m



Comparison with 5 Year Program

Annual Averages	Bush Administration (SAFETEA)	House Proposal (HR 3550)	Senate Proposal (S 1072)
Federal Highway Funding for Michigan	\$875 million	\$1.03 billion	\$1.23 billion
MDOT's Federal Share	\$656 million	\$773 million	\$923 million
Compared to 5 Year Program Federal Aid Projection (\$706 million)	down \$50 million	up \$67 million	up \$217 million



Questions?